CHBE 590 – Kinetics, Catalysis, and Reaction Engineering Credits 3.00

T,Th 9:25-10:40 am *Room AL B209* *Spring 2011*

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Overview

This course covers advanced concepts in reactor design, reaction/transport processes, multiphase reactions, chemical kinetics, and heterogeneous catalysis.

Required Textbook

Froment, Bischoff, and De Wilde, Chemical Reactor Analysis and Design, 3rd Ed. (2011)

Recommended Textbooks

H. Scott Fogler, Elements of Chemical Reaction Engineering, 4th Ed. (2005)

Mark E. Davis and R. J. (Bob) Davis, Fundamentals of Chemical Reaction Engineering (2002)

K. J. Laidler, Chemical Kinetics, 3rd Ed. (1987)

J. B. Rawlings and John G. Ekerdt, Chemical Reactor Analysis and Design Fundamentals, 2nd printing (2007)

J. Hagen, Industrial Catalysis: A Practical Approach (1999)

E. Bruce Nauman, Chemical Reactor Design, Optimization, and Scaleup, 2nd Ed. (2008)

Coursework and Grading

50%	8 problem sets
20%	Midterm (take-home, closed book, mostly closed-note)
30%	Final project

Honor Code

Students are encouraged to talk and work with one another, but each is to turn in their own unique solution set. Referring to (or copying) solution sets and test materials from any student or from other years is not allowed.

Lecture Topics

1. Isothermal ideal reactors
2. Chemical reactions – elementary; non-elementary; multiple; reversible
3. Non-isothermal ideal reactors
4. Stability analysis of non-isothermal CSTR's
5. Laminar flow reactor design
6. Residence time theory
7. Chemistry of heterogeneous catalysis
8. Reaction and diffusion in porous catalyst pellets
9. Multiphase reactions
10. Aspects of liquid-phase chemical reactions

Any student with a documented disability needing academic adjustments or accommodations is requested to speak with Professor Wong during the first two weeks of class. All discussions will remain confidential. Students with disabilities will need to also contact Disability Support Services (x5841) in the Ley Student Center.